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Mail Stop ISSUE FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **USA** 

Sir:

Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/694,717

> Applicant: Gonthier et al. Filed: October 29, 2003

Title: "OPTICAL COUPLER COMPRISING MULTIMODE FIBERS AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME"

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Our Ref.: 546-USA

The issue and publication fees for this application have already been paid on September 16, 2005.

We have noticed, however, that in this case the priority document has not yet been submitted. We, therefore, enclose this document herewith, namely a certified copy of the Canadian Patent Application No. 2,441,918 filed September 19, 2003. This Canadian application was not identified in the original Declaration and Power of Attorney by number, because its number was not known at the time of filing this U.S. application. We, therefore, also enclose a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney in which it is now identified by number.

Respectfully submitted.

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